

Using those words in a figurative sense do they not bespeak the experience of every body else? Who is not afraid in the tempest be its nature what it will? "And beginning to sink he cried." Who does not cry when sinking, saying, "Lord save me." Those who fail to utter that cry never will be saved. Then the response, and immediately Jesus stretched forth his hands and caught him. That is just what must be done if there is to be salvation. All of human experience and all of divine grace uttered and enacted with great dramatic force in a moment of time. Let us ponder these things.

A JEW'S CONVERSION

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It was quite a number of years ago that it occurred. The conversion was so remarkable that I wish to repeat the story of it, as given by Rev. E. Payson Hammond, the noted evangelist. The scene was in Chicago, and Mr. Hammond says: "One morning, as I was passing out of the door, I met a young man whose appearance showed me that he was in trouble and who said: 'I was passing by your meetings yesterday and dropped in to hear the singing, and I heard the words, 'We must all die; we must all appear before God in judgment.' And I could not sleep last night. I looked in the papers this morning and found that you were to hold meetings in this church. I have come to ask you what I shall do to be saved.' I quickly answered, 'It has all been done. Jesus finished the work on the cross.' 'I am a Jew; do not talk to me about Jesus. Thy father, in London, taught me to hate the name of Jesus.' 'But Jesus of Nazareth bled and died on the cross for you. God, for his sake, will forgive your sins.' 'Do not say anything more to me about Jesus; he was an impostor. My father intended me for a Jewish Rabbi, but I am now an actor in McVicker's theatre. I was in agony all last night.' 'You must pray,' I said. 'I am willing to pray.' 'Are you willing to kneel down with me and pray?' 'I will.' After I had prayed he began in words like these: 'O, thou God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, if Jesus of Nazareth be the long-promised Messiah help me to believe in him.' He trembled with emotion. As we arose I saw Mr. Moody sitting by a table, on which was an open Bible. I led Mr. Ryder to him and asked him to read the third chapter of John. He did so. He read to the fourteenth verse, 'As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' As Mr. Moody read these words Mr. Ryder's countenance lighted up and he exclaimed, 'I see it. I see it; Jesus bled and died on the cross for me, a poor sinner! I will trust him, love him and live for him.' Mr. Moody and I were delighted to see this rapid work of the Spirit in revealing Christ to this Jewish actor. We praised God for his marvelous grace." Mr. Hammond recently

wrote this story, and he says that that man was thoroughly changed and became a most efficient worker for Christ, and a few years ago he died a triumphant Christian.

TWO BARS

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The Judiciary bar and the liquor saloon bar. The latter is the sanctioned creature of the former. When the liquor saloon bar has filled its mission in making drunkards of the "traveling public" patrons and the "traveling public" patron drunkard on account of the debauchery he has been plunged into by his patronage of the liquor saloon bar, commits the crime of felony he is apprehended by the officer of the law and dragged before the judiciary bar, and there he is condemned or sentenced to a felon's cell or a felon's execution. Some day in the future the presiding officer of the judiciary and liquor saloon bars, with the condemned felon will meet before the Bar of God. To whom think ye will the most mercy be extended? This important question also embraces the liquor license law makers and their willing constituency. Great God help us seriously to reflect and keep us from being accessory in this soul-damning business.

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POSSIBILITIES

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Joshua 1:3, "Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you." Verse 7, "Only be thou strong and very courageous."

As we step out upon the great highway of life, and view with an intense longing, we grasp the thought that there is a future before us. A future of possibilities with wide avenues for the richer attainments. As we press onward thru the first month or steppingstone of the twentieth century we are taking the same march as did the children of Israel when they entered the promised land with Joshua as their leader.

Joshua was not to have the world nor yet a very great portion of it, but only that on which he set the sole of his foot. Not what he could view from some high mountain but that which was within his grasp.

God, in sending life into the body did not mean that we should send breath into other bodies. He gave us the breath of life and a way to use it. As we look at the present and see our great institution of learning we do not wonder that civilization is reaching out to a higher and nobler circle.

When God offered anything to Israel it required an action on their part to receive the blessing, and so it is with this great world of ours down thru all ages.

Opportunities must be seized while they are near. Israel would never have needed to roam for forty years in the desert if they had seized the opportunity to enter the land at the first possible chance.

It has been well said: "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which taken at its flood-tide leads on to fortune."

So let us as we leave the first stepping-stone at the threshold of this grand and glorious twentieth century, make our aim at something higher, nobler, grander, more sublime, and more perfect. A writer has written: "This life is one tenth actual and nine tenths possible." Have you my brother lived the highest standard of life? Have you reached the highest possible attainments? If not, let me point you to a type to use as standard in the life of Christ in whom all was perfect. O that we may be like him; that we may be nearer him. Our watchword should be "Onward and upward" and tho "no cloud was ever so dark but that it had a silver lining," even so shall we gain the victory in the end.

"Be strong and very courageous" are the words spoken by our Lord, and how near they come to us. What great general, before he goes into battle, does not first plan out his form of attack in order that he may out-do the opponent? What builder does not draw all plans before building, lest the structure may not fit the foundation? In these we find a lesson of preparation.

As we stand within ourselves, and armed with the five senses, look at the surrounding world we see broad heritages which may some day be laid at our door if we but seize upon that which God has so bountifully strewn in our path—opportunities.

There is a work to be done in this present century, and we are not to look backward and see what has been done; but look up see what can be done. I asked a class of small boys in the Sunday-school a few weeks ago, what was the best work we might engage in, and the answer came, without hesitation, from a small boy right in front of me, "Working for Jesus." The question was answered, and no better answer could have been given.

When we make a resolution to attempt at a higher let us come down onto it with the very sole of our foot and then we know we have it. Step onto the promise and the victory is ours. Courage is that within us as nature and nature is culture, so we only have to strive in the right path to reach the desired end.

No man is noble by nature.

No man is noble by nature,
Yet nature is what we crave;
We look thru nature, up to nature's God,
And behold mortality in the grave.

NICE NAME FOR IT

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Civilization has given war a new name: "Pacification." The British have an army of two hundred thousand men in South Africa, "pacifying" it. Uncle Sam is working at the same job in the Philippines. All the nations are knocking Chinese on the head for a like benevolent purpose. It seems to be just the thing, too, for a man is certainly pacified when he is dead. He doesn't do any more shooting or rioting, makes no more inflammatory or seditious speeches, kicks up no kind of a racket at all. He is pacified, sure enough, and the beauty of it is, he